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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Ellsworth et al. )  
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For: BLOOD COMPONENTS )  
SEPARATOR DISK )

AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.312 AND  
PETITION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF CLAIM OF PRIORITY

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

SIR:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.78, 1.312, applicants herein hereby petition the PTO for acceptance of the amendment set forth on page 2. The entire delay in amending the application to contain this information was unintentional.

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